REMARKS

Claims 1-9, 12, 14, 16-17, 19-21, and 25-28 are submitted in the application. Claims 1, 5-9, 12, 20 and 27-28 remain the same as when previously transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by the International Bureau. Claims 2-4 and 26 have been amended to reflect U.S. practice, while Claims 14, 16 and 17 have been amended to correct typographical items, and Claims 19, 21, and 25 have been amended to adjust their respective dependencies. Claims 10-11, 13, 15, 18 and 22-24 have been canceled.

Applicant submits that the claims remaining in the application are in condition for allowance, and hereby respectfully solicits such allowance at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,

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